STUDENT
ACCOMMODATION
2020-21
Welcome!

We know that you’ll want a great place to stay in Edinburgh - particularly if you’re new to the city. That’s why we want to tell you all about our University accommodation and how to apply to stay with us. If private accommodation is your thing, don’t worry - we will help with that too.
CAN I APPLY FOR UNIVERSITY ACCOMMODATION?

Check the guidelines below.

Unconditional offer
Undergraduate students – first-year and direct entrant students. If you:
• Have firmly accepted an unconditional firm offer of study from Edinburgh Napier University, and;
• Live outwith the EH postcode*, and;
• Have obtained entry clearance (if you’re an overseas student), and;
• Will be unaccompanied (i.e. not bringing any dependants, such as a partner and/or children), and;
• Are a full time student, studying for the full academic year

*EH postcode applicants can apply to join the waiting list with a conditional or unconditional offer

Conditional offer
If you hold a conditional offer, you will need to wait for it to become unconditional before you can apply for accommodation. Our guarantee date takes into account exam result dates so no need to worry.

Postgraduate students
We have spaces available in specifically designated Postgraduate flats which are generally in smaller developments.* Spaces are offered on a first-come first-served basis, so apply early to avoid disappointment. Apply online from 4 May 2020.

*On rare occasions we may be required to house postgraduates and undergraduates together, however notice will be given.

More information
We have some spaces available for students with a disability or additional needs. Please contact accommodation@napier.ac.uk to discuss your requirements. Please contact us as early as possible. Even if you don’t meet all the eligibility requirements yet, we can hold a space provisionally for you depending on your circumstances.

Applications from care leavers are most welcome. We will accept applications irrespective of where you are currently living. You will still need to have an unconditional firm accepted offer and be studying full time.

We have a limited number of spaces for students staying for one trimester only, offered on a first-come first-served basis. We can’t guarantee you will receive an offer of accommodation, so when these spaces become full we can assist you in finding accommodation in the private sector.

If you are not eligible to apply, or have missed our guarantee date, you can ask to be put on our waiting list – just email accommodation@napier.ac.uk. We will also help you with information and advice on finding accommodation in the private sector.

Check the website for more information: napier.ac.uk/accommodation.

We will guarantee undergraduates who meet the criteria an offer of accommodation if we receive your online application and pre-payment by our guarantee date of Friday 21 August 2020 at 3pm.
If you apply and make your advance rent payment by our guarantee date and you are a full-time first year or direct entrant undergraduate, we will guarantee you an offer of accommodation. This should be in one of the accommodations listed opposite, however in times of high demand, we may offer you accommodation in carefully-selected third-party provided accommodation.
WHAT ACCOMMODATION IS AVAILABLE?

Edinburgh Napier University has 1,240 beds in self-catered flats. We have a small number of studio flats, twin rooms and a mixture of premium and en suite accommodation in flats of 2 - 9 people.

We offer single and mixed-gender flats. All students have their own single study en suite bedroom (unless in a twin room or premium flat) along with a shared kitchen/living area.

All our flats are strictly non-smoking, including e-cigarettes.

All our flats are within a 15-20 minute walk to the city centre, not campus-based. They are close to local shops, supermarkets, cinemas and amenities, located on good bus routes to the campuses and within walking distance of each other.

Edinburgh Napier University has a nominations agreement with a third-party provider, The Student Housing Company, for 80 beds at Arran House. Therefore students allocated to this site will sign a private sector tenancy and the site itself will be managed by TSHC and not Edinburgh Napier University.

Flat developments

**Slateford Road, EH11 1FE**
Built in September 2015. Studio from £169 per week. En suite room in cluster from £153.50 per week. Premium two-bedroom flats at £179 per week.

**Orwell Terrace, EH11 2DY**
Built in September 2016. Twin room from £100 per week. En suite room in cluster from £153.50 per week

**Bainfield, 6 Bainfield Drive, EH11 1AR**
Studio flat from £169 per week. En suite in shared flat from £153.50 per week

**Arran House, 5 Drysdale Rd, Edinburgh, EH11 1FA**
(The Student Housing Company)
En suite in shared flat from £159 per week (43 week tenancy)
WHERE IS THE ACCOMMODATION?

Visit our website at napier.ac.uk/accommodation for the accommodation addresses, including a link to Google street view so you can check them out without even being in Edinburgh!

**Bainfield (EH11 1AR)**
- Merchiston: 1 mile
- Craiglockhart: 2 miles
- Sighthill: 4.5 miles

**Orwell Terrace (EH11 2DY)**
- Merchiston: 1.5 mile
- Craiglockhart: 3 miles
- Sighthill: 5 miles

**Slateford Road (EH11 1FE)**
- Merchiston: 1 mile
- Craiglockhart: 1.5 miles
- Sighthill: 3.5 miles
CAMPUS LOCATIONS

OUR ORWELL TERRACE ACCOMMODATION
OUR BAINFIELD ACCOMMODATION
OUR SLATEFORD ROAD ACCOMMODATION
OUR MERCHISTON CAMPUS
OUR CRAIGLOCKHART CAMPUS

20 MINUTES’ TRAM RIDE AWAY

Follow the canal path to Glasgow

City Centre
Morningside
Sighthill Campus
Our Merchiston Campus
Our Craiglockhart Campus
Our Sighthill Campus
Our Usher Hall
Our Greyfriars Bobby
Our Slateford Road Accommodation
Our Orwells Terrace Accommodation
Follow the canal path to Glasgow
Am I guaranteed accommodation?
You are guaranteed an offer of accommodation provided you meet all our criteria (see page one) and apply and make payment before the guarantee date of Friday 21 August at 3pm. Some of our accommodation offered is via a nominations agreement with a third-party provider and in times of high demand, we may source additional third-party accommodation to offer you which may be at a higher rent than our own. If you decline your offer, we will not be able to make you another offer of accommodation.

When will I hear if I have been allocated accommodation?
If you have completed the online application correctly and submitted the correct pre-payment, we aim to process your application within four working days of receipt. We will confirm everything to you by email, so please check your email regularly. If you do not receive the information after four working days, please email us.

What if I have a disability or additional needs?
The University has adapted accommodation and where possible can install certain adaptations for students with a disability or additional needs. Please contact the Accommodation Office on 0131 455 3713 in the first instance to discuss, even if you do not meet all the eligibility requirements yet, as we can provisionally pre-reserve a place for you.

Will I have my own bedroom?
Yes. All the bedrooms, apart from twin rooms, are single study bedrooms fully fitted with all the necessary furniture. You will have a lock on your bedroom door. All bedrooms at Bainfield, Slateford Road and Orwell Terrace have en suite shower room/toilet, except premium rooms at Slateford Road that share a bathroom.

What equipment/furniture is supplied in the flats?
The flats are fully furnished. The kitchen includes a cooker, fridge/freezer, microwave, kettle, toaster,
iron, ironing board and vacuum cleaner. At Bainfield, Slateford Road and Orwell Terrace we have central laundry rooms. These are provided by Circuit Laundry (circuitlaundry.co.uk). All communal lounges include a wall mounted 40” smart TV.

Utilities are covered by the university, and heating is activated during scheduled times throughout the day.

**What do I have to provide?**

You will need to supply your own bed linen, kitchen crockery, cutlery, pots, pans, utensils, towels and your own food. You can purchase a bedding pack from us when you apply for accommodation. At all our sites, the beds are 4ft doubles.

**Is there internet in the flat?**

Yes, a high-speed internet provision is included in your rent and all hardware will be provided for you. We provide both wired and Wi-Fi access. Internet is provided by a third-party provider. Full details will be in your room on arrival.

**Is there a phone in the flat?**

No, there is no telephone service in the flats.

**Can I share with friends?**

No, although we can place you at the same development. The exception to this is our twin rooms at Orwell Terrace, where you can apply to stay with a friend.

**Who will I share with?**

The information on your application will be used to give a balanced mix to the flats - different courses of study, same age range and gender (unless otherwise stated). If you are not happy in your flat, requests for transfers will be considered after 7 October 2020 if spaces become available.

At the Student Housing Company transfers will be handled differently as this is a nominations agreement. Full details will be in your tenancy so make sure you read this fully.

**Can I smoke in my flat?**

No. Smoking is not permitted anywhere in Edinburgh Napier accommodation. This includes e-cigarettes and vapes.

**How long can I stay in my flat?**

All tenancies run from early September 2020. Undergraduate students shall receive a 39/43 week tenancy based upon allocation. Nursing students are given 50 week leases until late August 2021. Postgraduate students are given the option of either 39/43 week or 50 week tenancies. The exact tenancy end date will be given on the tenancy agreement you sign.

**Can I stay in the university flat briefly then move out to the private sector?**

No, you cannot sign a University tenancy and then leave after a couple of weeks. Short-term tenancies are not possible and you will remain liable for rent payments until the tenancy end date.

**Is there bicycle storage?**

Yes. We offer secure bicycle storage at all developments. The City of Edinburgh encourages cyclists!

**What about car parking?**

We do not have parking facilities at any of our sites, with the exception of blue badge disabled bays at Bainfield, Slateford Road and Orwell Terrace.

**Does the University take a deposit?**

Only if you are allocated with The Student Housing Company. However, should you be allocated at Bainfield, Slateford Road or Orwell Terrace, an advance rent payment of £500 will be required.
NOT ELIGIBLE FOR UNIVERSITY ACCOMMODATION?

Want to stay in your own flat in the private sector?

Information and advice is available at napier.ac.uk/accommodation.

Please note that we do not inspect flats within the private accommodation sector and are unable to guarantee suitability. We would advise you to visit Edinburgh before the start of the session to secure accommodation. Book into a short-term hostel while you look for accommodation for the rest of the session.

Devote sufficient time to looking for accommodation. Private sector accommodation is plentiful but there are lots of students from the four universities within the city looking at the same time.

Always view properties before making any commitment and before handing over any money.

Make sure that you get receipts for all money and deposits you hand over and that everything you agree to is in writing.

Always check what is included in the property.

Check that the property has the appropriate certificates, for example current gas safety certificate if applicable, and an HMO licence if there are three or more people in the flat.

Remember that you will be asked to sign a tenancy agreement which is a legally-binding document.

We run a free private accommodation support service in September and January, aimed at helping students look for private accommodation. Keep an eye on our website for more information about these sessions.
At Edinburgh Napier University, we are committed to improving the student experience through the provision of a social calendar as well as access to support services, within and outwith the University itself.

While living with us at Edinburgh Napier, you will become part of a University community that encourages and supports our students in every aspect of their personal development. This is done through peer signposting and support as well as access to a dedicated team of full-time student welfare and advice professionals. The Student Accommodation team will also continue to support students even after they have moved out of our accommodation and are on hand to provide guidance and support throughout any student’s University career.

Student Accommodation’s Residence Life programme is here to ensure that all Edinburgh Napier students benefit from the University experience and have all the available resources on hand to help them succeed personally, socially and academically.

Find our more at napier.ac.uk/reslife or keep up to date with all our latest events by following @ENUReslife on Facebook and @enu_accommodation on Instagram.

Out-of-hours cover is provided at each site by Resident Assistants, who can handle emergencies including health issues, fire, security and general advice.

The Edinburgh Napier security team are also available 24 hours a day and their contact details will be on the notice